

product whose expression is inhibited by an antisense nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 60, thereby producing a sensitized cell;

(b) contacting said sensitized cell with a compound; and

(c) determining whether said compound inhibits the growth of said sensitized cell.

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52. (Amended) The method of claim 51, further comprising the step of contacting said cell with an inducer in a concentration which induces said antisense nucleic acid to a sub-lethal level.

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55. (Amended) The method of Claim 54, wherein said polypeptide comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 413.

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128. (Amended) A method for manufacturing an antibiotic comprising the steps of manufacturing a compound which has been determined to inhibit the growth of a sensitized cell using the method of Claim 45.

Please add the following new claim.

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132 (New) A method for manufacturing an antibiotic comprising the steps of manufacturing a compound which has been determined to inhibit the growth of a sensitized cell using the method of Claim 46.

REMARKS

Claims 45-56, 128 and 132 are currently pending. Claims 45, 52, 55 and 128 have been amended and new claim 132 has been added. Each of the amendments is supported by the original claims. Additionally, support for new claim 132 can be found on page 9, lines 3-16 and page 18, lines 14-21. Accordingly, none of the amendments constitute the addition of new matter.

The specific changes to the amended claims are shown on a separate set of pages attached hereto and entitled **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**, which follows the signature page of this Amendment. On this set of pages, the insertions are underlined while the [deletions are enclosed within brackets].